

March 10th, 2020

The Des Moines County Board of Supervisors met in regular session at the Courthouse in Burlington at 9 AM on Tuesday, March 10th, 2020, with Chairman Tom Broeker, Vice-Chair Jim Cary and Member Bob Beck present.

Unless otherwise noted, all motions passed unanimously. The Pledge of Allegiance was conducted.

Meet with Department Heads: County Auditor Terri Johnson stated the March 3rd Special Election will be completed today and will start working on the June Primary Election. She discussed candidate filing deadlines, requirements, etc. Conservation Director Chris Lee reported the AmeriCorp team arrived yesterday and started three days of training. The team consists of ten people. Assistant Land Use Administrator Jarred Lassiter discussed legislation changes regarding the members on a Zoning Commission. The Legislature approved a requirement to the State Code that all members must live in the zoned area. This would eliminate city residents and non-residents of zoned areas on the commission. Since Des Moines County is only partially zoned this would make it very difficult to fill positions and the Board felt this would disenfranchise a large portion of Des Moines. This change may work in fully zoned counties but difficult to fulfill positions in any county that is partially zoned. CDS Director Ken Hyndman reported he has been busy and will be attending SEIL meetings tomorrow. IT Director Colin Gerst reported his department is busy and the air conditioning was down in the data center and the backup failed to work. He thanked Maintenance Supervisor Rodney Bliesener's assistance in getting the issue repaired. County Attorney Lisa Schaefer stated her office is busy. County Engineer Brian Carter reported his crews are blading the gravel roads and the contract rock haul may start next week. Carter attended a pre-construction meeting for the Hwy 61 paving project. Work may start soon depending on the weather and the first county road to close will be Plank Rd to redo the paving, grading, etc. The road may close the week of March 23rd. Patching on Hwy 61 (Roosevelt Ave) may start in late March. The North Gear Ave. contractor may start next week on their project, depending on the weather. Public Health Administrator Christa Poggemiller reported her department is busy and keeping up to date with the COVID-19 virus. A few cases are in Iowa and she discussed precautions to take for prevention and anyone can call "211" for any COVID-19 questions. Emergency Management Coordinator Gina Hardin stated she is meeting with local partners and encouraging business to plan on how to provide services pending COVID-19. Weather Spotter Class will be held March 31st. Tornado Drill will be held March 25th @ 10AM. The first meeting to update the Hazard Mitigation Plan is set and the final version should be to the Board by late April. They are keeping an eye on the river forecast – flood stage might be reached in late March.

Payroll Reimbursement claims in the amount of \$615.01 was presented. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

Class C Liquor License for Harvest View Farms was presented. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

Personnel Action:

Conservation – Zach Hunter, Summer Intern. New hire to begin on or after 4/2 and end on or before 9/25. New rate \$13.00 hr. Marie Maston, Naturalist Intern. New hire to begin on or after 5/4 and end on or before 8/28. New rate \$10.00 hr. Cary motioned to approve both actions and seconded by Beck.

Correctional Center – Steve Gray, Correctional Officer Full-time. Retirement effective 3/2/2020. Beck motioned to approve and seconded by Cary.

Local Health – Aurey Kramer, Secretary. Unpaid leave 2/23 to 3/7. Cary motioned to approve and seconded by Beck.

Reports received and filed in the Auditor's Office:

Clerk's Report of Fees Collected, February 2020
General Assistance Monthly Report, February 2020
Recorder's Report of Fees Collected, February 2020
Sheriff's Monthly Report, February 2020

Beck motioned to approve the March 3rd, 2020 meeting minutes and seconded by Cary.

Canvass of the Burlington Community School District Special Election held on March 3rd, 2020 was presented by the County Auditor. The election results for Public Measure A – To Adopt a Revenue Purpose Statement specifying the use of revenues the Burlington Community School District will receive from the State of Iowa Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund.

YES	346	89.41% approval
NO	41	10.59%

The measure passed with a 1.91% turnout of voters. Beck motioned to approve the results and seconded by Cary.

Committee reports – The Supervisors attended the Conference Board meeting and approved the Assessor’s budget.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:33 AM.

Following the meeting was a work session. The Board of Supervisors and County Engineer took a road tour.

This Board meeting is recorded and kept on file for two years. The meeting minutes and audio are posted on the county’s website www.dmcountry.com

Approved March 17th, 2020
Tom Broeker, Chairman
Attest: Terri Johnson, Auditor